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Monday - 26 October 1970

25X1	with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and discussed the possibility of the Director's visiting Senator Russell in Georgia and our budget session which has been tentatively scheduled for 19 November 1970. See Memorandum for the Record.	25X1
25X1	2. Met with Mr. Philip W. Morgan, Minority Counsel, Senate Permanent Investigations Subcommittee, and discussed with him Senator McClellan's letter of 16 October 1970 to the Director. See Memorandum for the Record.	
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25X1	4. Picked up from Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director, Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, a copy of material which Senator Jackson has asked us to translate. This was passed on to FBIS.	-
25X1	of State for Congressional Relations, to ask about the status of Senator Cas inquiry to the Department about Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. Abshire said that, pursuant to our discussion last week, he had tried to get in touch with Case by phone but the Senator was on the campaign trail and has not been accessible. However Abshire has left word with the Senator's secretary and expects the Senator to call him shortly. He will advise us of the results.	e's

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David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called to say that they had talked over in the Department how best to respond to Senator Clifford Case's query about Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. They accordingly propose that a bland "boilerplate" letter be drafted to Case and that as a follow-up to the letter Ambassador Symmes (of Abshire's office) and Dick Davies, of the European Division of State, meet personally with Case and answer any further questions he might have, including anything affecting the Agency.

Abshire said that incidentally Frank Shakespeare, Director of USIA, has received a query from Senator Case about RFE and RL asking, among other things, about the feasibility of USIA taking over these activities. Abshire said Shakespeare was very anxious to talk personally to Case to explain the importance of RFE and RL, and wondered if we had any objection.

After checking with Cord Meyer, ADDP, I called Abshire back to say that we concurred in their proposal to send the letter and meet personally with Case, but would like to see a draft of the letter in advance. I said we would urge that they talk only to Case and not to members of his staff. I also said we had no objection to Frank Shakespeare talking to Case as suggested.

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After talking to Bruce Clarke, D/OSR, about the request of Richard Perle, on the staff of Senator Jackson's Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, I called Perle to say that we really couldn't give him any very useful estimates of the cost to the Soviets of pursuing various options of their missile programs. I recalled that we had briefed Perle last May on these subjects, and said we couldn't add much to what was covered at that time. Perle said he appreciated the problem, but it was nevertheless of vital importance in connection with U.S. decisions regarding SALT. I said we would keep this in mind.

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25X1	9. In response to a request from Senator Henry Jackson (D., Wash.), Richard Perle, of the staff of Senator Jackson's Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, visited Headquarters and was briefed by Carl Duckett on verification problems relating to SALT. Perle left with us some follow up questions concerning the cost of certain possible Soviet Force changes which have been referred to OSR. During his visit, Perle asked me some questions about the Neil Sheehan story on subversives in the GVN. I said it concerned a
	Mr. Moose asked, half facetiously, if the Chairman could see 25X1 a copy of the document referred to in Neil Sheehan's article about subversion in the GVN.
25X1	ll. Called Dave Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, to ask if there had been any decision on the handling of Senator Case's inquiry about Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. He said he would check with Dick Davies and let me know shortly. 25X1 I invited Mr. Abshire and his Deputy, Ambassador Harry Symmes, to visit the Agency for lunch next week.
	cc: ER Legislative Counsel
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Thursday - 15 October 1970

Hand carried to George Murphy, staff of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, a copy of the Intelligence Memorandum entitled "COCOM Countries' Sales of Technology to the USSR and Eastern Europe" (ER IM 70-121), dated September 1970, Murphy expressed concern over recent testimony before the Joint Committee implicating the Agency in a study on the sharing of gaseous
diffusion technology. See Memo for the Record.
Z. Talked with David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, about contact which had been made with the Agency by USIA on a letter from Senator Clifford Case to the Secretary of State, dated 8 October, on the subject of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. I told Mr. Abshire that we were concerned about the policy and political implications as to how this inquiry should be handled and asked him if he would forward to us a copy of Case's letter for our study. I said that while the answers to the questions in Case's letter were easy the question of how this would be handled would probably require high level decision. Mr. Abshire was most cooperative and agreed to hold this matter in abeyance until further word from us.
Received a call from Mr. Marvin Cox, Office of General Counsel, USIA, who called concerning a letter to the Secretary of State from Senator Clifford P. Case (R., N.J.). The letter raises several questions concerning Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. Mr. Cox said he had talked to the Senator's staff during the morning and told them the letter is being transferred to another agency for action. The Senator's office had no objection to the transfer. See Memorandum for the Record.

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Wednesday - 7 October 1970

25X1	Talked with Richard Agnich, Legislative Assistant to Senator John G. Tower (R., Texas), about the possibility of his participating in a panel discussion in the Advanced Intelligence Seminar on 16 October. Agnich was interested in this but said he would be out of town campaigning on that date and asked that we try him again another time.
25X1	Called Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, and explained that we understood a letter from the Office of Management and Budget was en route to the Committee recommending an increase Preston said it would probably be too late as far as the House was concerned but said the Senate could do what they wanted.
25X1	John Marks, in the office of Senator Clifford P. Case, called to say that the Senator had received a letter from President Park of Korea thanking the U.S. Government for financial support provided Radio Free Asia. Marks asked if the Agency supported Radio Free Asia. After checking with I called back to say that we did not.
25X1 25X1	In response to his recent questions to I called Roland Paul, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, to say that information he had heard claiming that there were more political prisoners in Greece under the Papandreous than under the present Junta was nonsense. In response to my question, he said that Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Rodger Davies had testified to this effect.

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